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SUBJECT: DISPUTE BETWEEN PERONIST DEPUTIES REPRESENTING OPPOSING
FACTIONS

REF: BA 7997

1. SUMMARY. PERONIST DEPUTIES REPRESENTING OPPOSING LABOR
AND YOUTH SECTORS HAVE CLASHED IN THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OVER
PROPOSED BILL ON TRADE UNIONS AND ON DOCUMENT PROTESTING
KILLING OF YOUTH LEADER. LABOR DEPUTIES' REQUEST FOR SANCTIONS
AGAINST THOSE DEPUTIES SPEAKING FOR THE YOUTH WAS NOT ACTED
UPON. END SUMMARY.

2. IN MEETING OF PERONIST NATIONAL DEPUTIES HELD NOV. 8 NO
DECISION WAS REACHED ON A REQUEST FOR SANCTIONS AGAINST EIGHT
DEPUTIES ALIGNED WITH PERONIST YOUTH. MEETING WAS CALLED BY
DEPUTIES REPRESENTING LABOR BRANCH OF MOVEMENT TO CONSIDER
VARIOUS ACTIONS INCLUDING EXPULSION FROM THE PARTY FOR THE
EIGHT WHO, IN SIGNING A DECLARATION PROTESTING THE KILLING
OF PERONIST YOUTH (JTP) LEADER PABLO FREDES LAST WEEK, ACCUSED
THE LABOR UNION BUREAUCRACY OF COMPLICITY IN HIS DEATH. IRE
OF LABOR SECTOR WAS ALSO AROUSED BY THE FACT THAT TWO OF THE
DEPUTIES HAD ATTENDED THE JTP RALLY ON NOV. 2 CALLED TO PROTEST
THE PROPOSED TRADE UNION LAW (SEE BA 7997). THE SANCTIONS WERE
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DISCUSSED HEATEDLY BUT NOT APPROVED AFTER SOME OF THE LABOR

DEPUTIES, PARTICULARLY SOME FROM THE INTERIOR, INDICATED THEY DID NOT SUPPORT THIS COURSE OF ACTION. THE CASE WAS INSTEAD TURNED OVER TO THE CONSEJO SUPERIOR FOR JUDGMENT.

3. UNDERLYING ISSUE IS PROPOSED TRADE UNION BILL WHICH IS SUPPORTED BY CGT AND 62 ORGANIZATIONS BUT STRONGLY OPPOSED BY THE PERONIST YOUTH. SOME OF THE YOUTH DEPUTIES PLAN TO MEET WITH SOLANO LIMA TO MAKE KNOWN THEIR OBJECTIONS TO THE BILL AND TO SEEK MODIFICATIONS.

4. COMMENT. THIS, THE LATEST IN A SERIES OF INTRAPARTY DISPUTES, WILL PROBABLY EASE IF THE BILL PASSES QUICKLY (ACCORDING TO LABOR MINISTER OTERO THE CGT VERSION HAS PERON'S SUPPORT), ALTHOUGH THE UNDERLYING DIFFERENCES IN OBJECTIVES WILL REMAIN. THE LONGER THE DEBATE CONTINUES HOWEVER, THE MORE HEATED IT WILL BECOME.
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